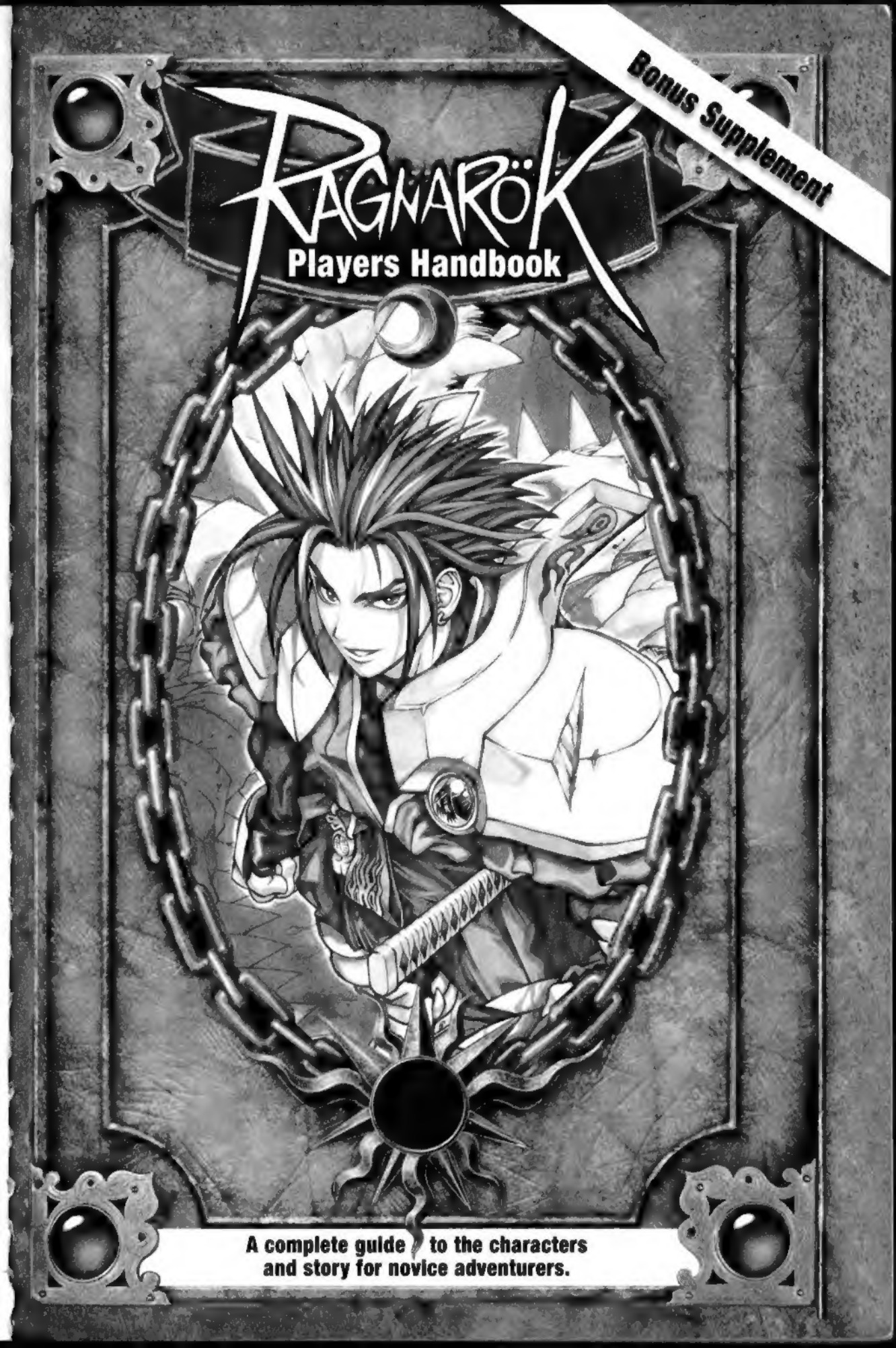
RAGNARÖK


Bonus Supplement
RAGNARÖK
Players Handbook
A complete guide to the characters
and story for novice adventurers.

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NAME: Chaos
Class: Rune Knight
Level: 9
Alignment: Chaotic Good
STR: 17
DEX: 10
CON: 15
INT: 12
WIS: 14
CHR: 16

Equipment:
Vision- Enchanted sword- STR +2

Rune Armor- AC -4, 20% bonus saving throw vs. magical attacks.

Notes:
The reincarnation of the fallen god Balder, Chaos has been told by his divine mother, Frigg, that the fate of the world rests in his hands. He may also be tied to the legendary "Dragon Knights."

NAME: Iris Irine
Class: Cleric
Level: 5
Alignment: Lawful Good
STR: 7
DEX: 12
CON: 9
INT: 13
WIS: 16
CHR: 16

Equipment:
Chernryongdo- Enchanted dagger- STR +1, DEX +1, 1D4 damage if anyone but her touches it.

Irine Family Armor- AC -5, WIS +1

Notes:
Iris would have become the new leader of the city of Fayon... that is, if it weren't destroyed by her sister, the Valkyrie Sara Irine. She now follows her close friend Chaos.

HEROES

NAME: Fenris Fenrir
Class: Warlock
Level: 9
Alignment: Neutral Good
STR: 14
DEX: 15
CON: 13
INT: 16
WIS: 12
CHR: 14

Equipment:
Psychic Medallion: Magic compass which leads its bearer to whatever his or her heart most desires.

Laevatein, Rod of Destruction- STR+1, extends to staff on command.

Notes:
The reincarnation of the Wolf God, Fenris helped Chaos to realize his identity. She now follows him on his quest.

NAME: Loki
Class: Assassin
Level: 9
Alignment: Lawful Neutral
STR: 14
DEX: 18
CON: 12
INT: 12
WIS: 14
CHR: 10

Equipment:
Sword of Shadows: + 4 to hit, damage +2

Bone Armor: AC -5, STR +2

Notes:
Greatest of the Assassins, Loki's anonymity is a testament to his skill at going unseen. When his assassin comrades are killed, Loki sets forth to get revenge and to discover his new role in the brewing storm.

HEROES

NAME: Lidia
Class: Thief
Level: 4 (level up!)
Alignment: Neutral Good
STR: 8
DEX: 15
INT: 13
WIS: 10
CHR: 15

Equipment:
Treasure Hunter's Bible: 50% chance of identifying magical items

Follower: Sessy, Cat o' Two Tails: +50% saving throw to pick pockets

Notes:
An "expert treasure hunter" by trade, Lidia "borrows" whatever she can get her hands on while she looks for bigger hauls.

NPCS

Muninn and Huginn

Odin's Beholders, these messengers can take the form of crows. They seem to be manipulating events, but to what end remains a mystery.

Frigg

Wife of Odin and mother to Balder, Frigg is the queen of the gods. She came to Chaos in a vision and informed him that it is his destiny to save Midgard from destruction. Her final advice was to "find he who is both human and not."

ENEMIES

NAME: Sara Irine
Class: Valkyrie
Level: 7
Alignment: Chaotic Neutral
STR: 14
DEX: 12
CON: 13
INT: 14
WIS: 15
CHR: 17

Equipment:
Haeryongdo, Sword of Retribution- STR+2

Enchanted Parchments x 24

Notes:
One of the 12 Valkyries of Valhalla, Sara Irine was sent to prevent Fenris from completing her quest. After the beholders spared her life at Fayon, she was transported to a place yet unknown.

NAME: Skurai
Class: Cursed Prosecutor
Level: 13
Alignment: Chaotic Evil
STR: 17
DEX: 16
CON: 19
INT: 15
WIS: 8
CHR: 12

Equipment:
Talatsu- Cursed sword- STR+2, HP +12- cannot be discarded unless it tastes the blood it is looking for.

Notes:
Skurai follows the will of his sword, Talatsu, which seeks the one blood that will quench its thirst. After meeting Chaos at Fayon, Skurai now seeks the Rune Knight's blood and tricked Loki into hunting him down.

The Story so Far...

The fates work in mysterious ways. Skurai, the Cursed Prosecutor, devourer of souls, seeks the blood of Chaos—he who was once Balder. Knowing Chaos to be too strong a target, Skurai prepared a trap most foul. After slaughtering the Assassins of Morroc, Skurai convinced Loki death-bringer, greatest of assassins, that Chaos was behind his comrades' deaths. After a bout with Loki, Chaos should be weakened to the point where he offers no resistance.

Meanwhile, oblivious to the plots around him, Chaos travels to Prontera, capital city of the Volsug province. Joined by Fenris Fenrir, the warlock, and Iris Irine, the cleric, he seeks the key to his past so that he might unlock his destiny. Prontera offers no answers, only bloodshed. Cursed Swordsman, Assassin and Rune Knight—three warriors of equal power. Their current battle is a delicately balanced dance, soon to be upset as the sun sets and the Twilight of Terror begins...

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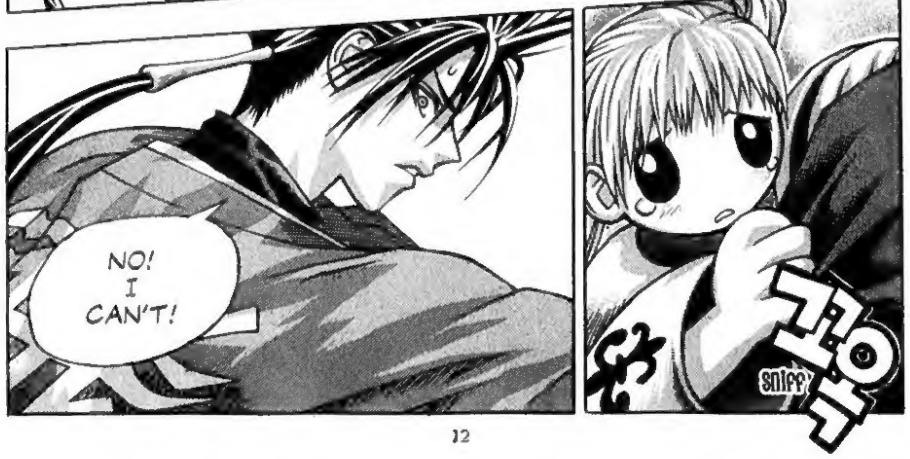
CHAOS--!!
GET OUT OF THE WAY, CHAOS!!

GET OUT OF THE WAY? BUT IF I DO---


NO! I CAN'T!
sniff

SKURAI'S ALREADY CLAIMED TOO MANY LIVES!
IF I RUN, SHE DIES...

THE BLOODSHED STOPS NOW!!
FWO
WOOSH

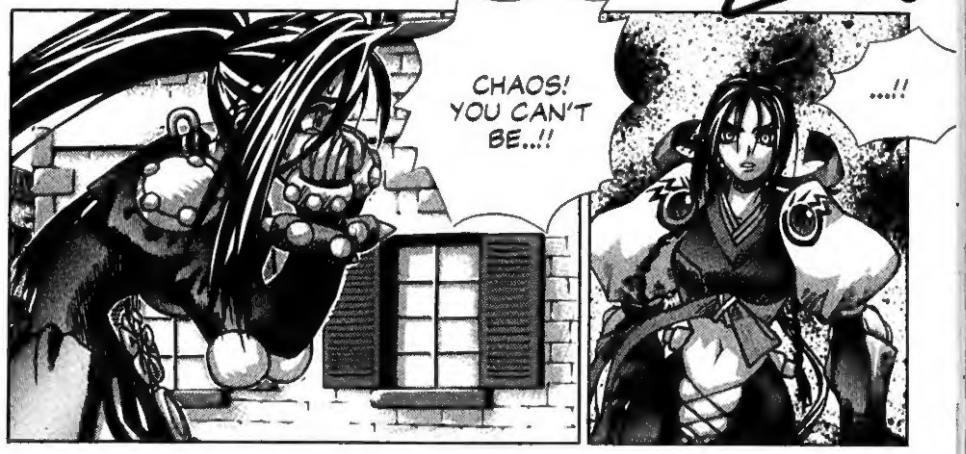
UNGHHHHH.
TZZAK
THWOOM
CHAOS!!

FWZZZ
ZZZZ
FOOP
AH...

TH-THANK GOODNESS---
YOU'RE... ALL RIGHT.

CHAOS!!
NO---!!

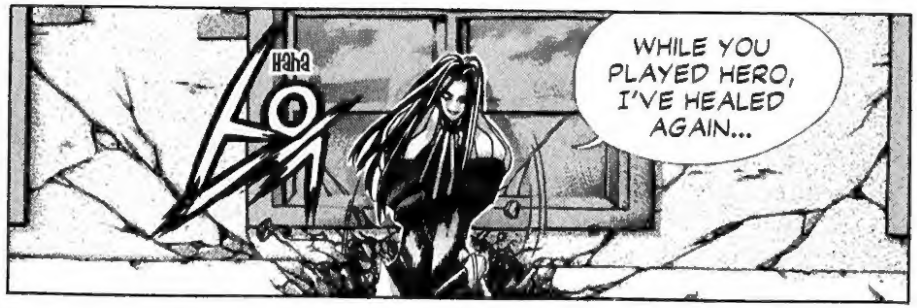
THWUNK!!


CHAOS! YOU CAN'T BE...!!
...!!

I HAVE SOMETHING FOR YOU.
YOU CAN'T!
NOT MY FATHER!!
KOOOO

NOT AGAIN...!!

HOW BRAVE, HOW NOBLE... HOW UTTERLY USELESS AND FOOLISH.


HAHA
WHILE YOU PLAYED HERO, I'VE HEALED AGAIN...

SO... SHALL WE END ---
EH? SOME NEW PLAYERS APPROACH. TOO BAD...

WE'LL FINISH THIS LATER, CHILDREN...
POWW
THWUNK!!

AHAHAHAHAHA!
...
FWOOOOSH

CHAOS!!
SNIPP
SNIPP
SPEAK TO ME!!
don't die!!

UNGH... NOT SO LOUD.
MY HEAD'S ALREADY POUNDING LIKE A DRUM!
GASP!
YOU'RE ALIVE!!
오트캇!
oomph!!

YOU! WHO ARE YOU? WHY DID YOU ATTACK US?
THIS SITUATION HAS BECOME TOO COMPLICATED.
NEVER MIND THE QUESTIONS, FENRIS. WE'RE BEYOND THAT. OUR FRIEND HERE AND I HAVE A FIGHT TO FINISH...
WHAT?

RAGNAROK
IN TO THE ABYSS

NO...
THEY CAN'T BE SERIOUS!
FOOLS!
BUT WHY? WE WERE ONLY TRYING TO HELP!

GUARDS! SEIZE THEM!
YES, SIR!!
ARE YOU CRAZY?
WE SAVED EVERYONE!!

HOLD IT RIGHT THERE!
I DON'T WANT TO FIGHT YOU, BUT I WILL IF I HAVE TO!
chiiing
WHAT?
PUT THAT SWORD DOWN! YOU'RE ONE MAN AGAINST MANY! SURRENDER!
FOOU!

SURRENDER? SURRENDER?
WE'VE DONE NOTHING WRONG! BUT SINCE YOU WON'T HEAR ANY SENSE...
...COME AND GET ME, IF YOU LIKE!
GET HIM!!
chiiiii
CHAOS, STOP!!
FENRIS...?!
FIGHT AND YOU RUIN EVERYTHING.

THESE MEN ARE ONLY DOING THEIR DUTY. THEY DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT REALLY HAPPENED.
SO, ARE YOU SAYING WE SHOULD JUST SURRENDER?
NO. I'M ONLY SAYING WE SHOULD AVOID UNNECESSARY TROUBLE.
BESIDES, WE DIDN'T KILL ANYONE.
THE TRUTH WILL COME OUT.

...
WHAT SHOULD WE DO, CHAOS?!
WOOOOOO

TWANG!!
ALL RIGHT.
A WISE DECISION.

?!
HE SURRENDERED? BUT WHY?
YOUR TURN NOW.
W-WELL?
?!
THUD

WHAT ARE YOU ALL WAITING FOR? GET HIM!

HUH?
IT'S NOT OVER YET, CHAOS...
...NOT OVER BY FAR.

WE'LL MEET AGAIN. YOU CAN TRUST ME ON THAT.

I'LL BE MORE THAN READY. YOU CAN TRUST ME ON THAT.

THRSH
THERE HE IS!
HE'S GONE! WHAT HAPPENED?
SPREAD OUT! SEARCH EVERYWHERE!
NO, HE'S OVER THERE!!

LOKI... JUST WHO ARE YOU, I WONDER?

WHEW!
Thief and treasure hunter, Hoomu left Chaos and the others, she searches for the lost treasure of ancient Alfheim...
THAT'S IT! I'VE HAD IT! WHY DO I ALWAYS HAVE TO CARRY YOU AROUND?!
ME? JUST HOW HEAVY CAN I BE, OH GREAT TREASURE HUNTER?
BOK
YOU...UH... WHAT IS THAT NOISE?
I DON'T KNOW...

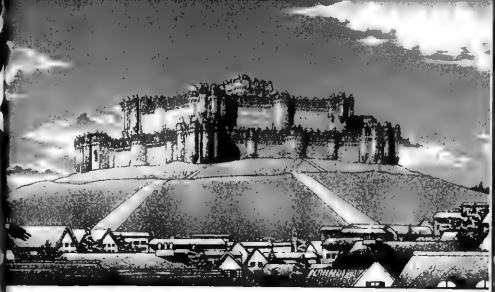
RAGNAROK
IN TO THE ABYSS

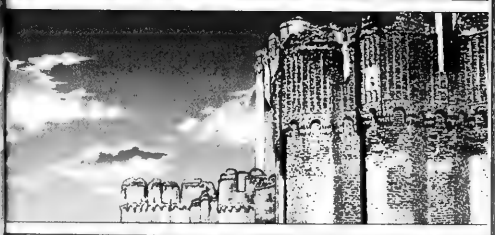
I DON'T LIKE THAT...IT'S GETTING... CLOSER AND CLOSER.
LOOK!
THE BIRDS! THEY'RE ALL PANICKED!
SOMETHING'S NOT RIGHT!
!
THE AIR! IT FEELS SO HEAVY...SO WRONG. DO YOU FEEL IT, TOO?
I FEEL AN EVIL FORCE...VERY NEAR...ALMOST RIGHT ON US!

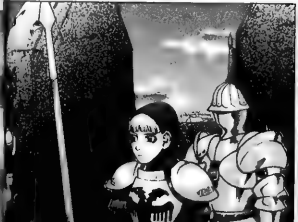
AHHHHHHH!
BGM999
FASTER! FASTER! CAN'T YOU RUN FASTER?
I CAN IF I LEAVE YOU BEHIND! NOW SHUT UP!
YAUGH!
UNGH!
IT'S RISING INTO THE AIR! WHA...WHAT IS THAT THING?
UH-OH.

URGH...
OOOMPH!
WHOOP
WHOOP
WHOOP
WHOOP

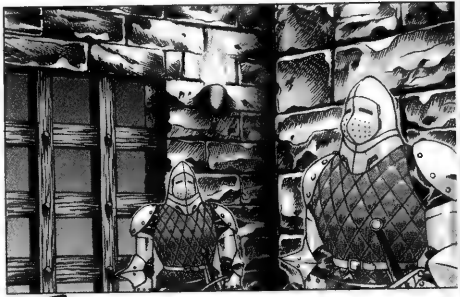
WHAT COULD IT BE?
I DON'T KNOW...
SAY...ISN'T THAT THING HEADING TOWARD PRONTERA?
CHAOS AND THE OTHERS ARE THERE...
BUT, OF COURSE, THAT'S NONE OF MY BUSINESS.
I KNEW SOMETHING WOULD HAPPEN. DANGER IS DRAWN TO THAT BUNCH LIKE FLIES TO HONEY.
OR YOU TO GOLD?



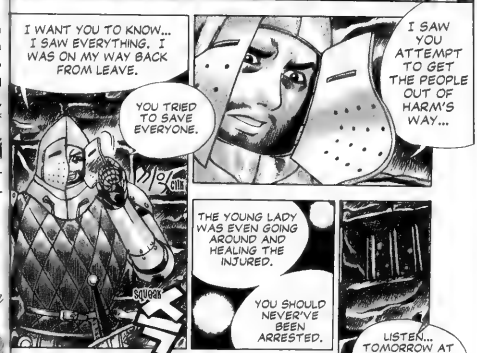




The King's Castle, overlooking the capital, Prontera.



철컥철컥
clank
clank
clunk
HERE.
YOUR FOOD. BETTER EAT IT.

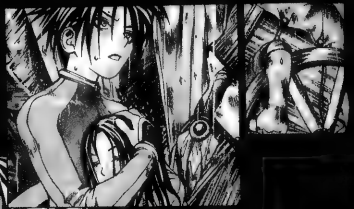

I WANT YOU TO KNOW... I SAW EVERYTHING. I WAS ON MY WAY BACK FROM LEAVE.
YOU TRIED TO SAVE EVERYONE.
I SAW YOU ATTEMPT TO GET THE PEOPLE OUT OF HARM'S WAY...
THE YOUNG LADY WAS EVEN GOING AROUND AND HEALING THE INJURED.
YOU SHOULD NEVER'VE BEEN ARRESTED.
LISTEN... TOMORROW AT THE TRIAL... I'LL BE YOUR WITNESS.
SLURP
clink

RAGNAROK
EPISODE 3
IN TO THE ABYSS

WHAT... WHERE AM I?!?
...THE PAST!
WHAT HAPPENED?
Crash
WHEN EVERYONE----
drip
drip
drip
drip
AND HE CAME...
FWoom
THIS LOOKS LIKE...
SO, SOMEONE STILL LIVES.

A MEMORY! A LOST BIT OF MEMORY...

BUT THEY CAUGHT US... SLAUGHTERED EVERYONE.



OF COURSE I HAD A NAME. EVERYONE HAD A NAME, DIDN'T THEY?

WE WERE ALL TRYING TO FLEE...

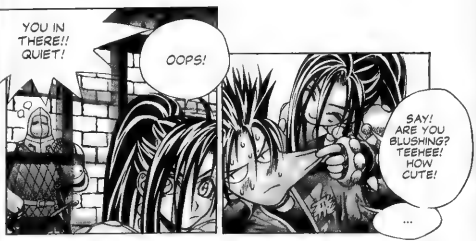
BUT, I DIDN'T EVEN RECALL WHERE I WAS BORN...WHO MY FATHER WAS... MY MOTHER...

I WAS ALWAYS ALONE. I ALWAYS ENVIED THE OTHERS. WHAT DOES A MOTHER'S EMBRACE FEEL LIKE...?
VERMILION... THE COLOR OF BURNING BLOOD. HOW APT...
...AND ESPECIALLY FITTING TO THESE SURROUNDINGS.
I FELT AS IF HE COULD SEE SOMETHING THAT I COULDN'T SEE.
BUT THERE IS MORE TO YOU...AND YOUR DESTINY... FOR THAT, YOU NEED A MORE APPROPRIATE NAME, A MORE FORMIDABLE ONE.
DRIP
DRIP
DRIP
SOME OF THE ELDERS, THE ONES WHO LOOKED AFTER ME, THEY SAW MY HAIR COLOR AND CALLED ME BY IT...
?!
HE LOOKED UP...
SUCH WASTE. SUCH CARNAGE. IF THEY HAD ONLY LISTENED TO THE WARNINGS, HEEDED THE DANGERS, THIS WOULD NOT HAVE HAPPENED.
VERMILION.
...LION...
...VERMILION...
...STARED AT THE CARNAGE...

SUCH RUIN...
...AND SO HE NAMED ME...
THIS IS YOUR BIRTHRIGHT HERE, CHILD. THIS VIOLENCE. THIS MADNESS.
THIS CHAOS.
FROM BLOODSHED WILL COME HOPE. FROM YOU WILL COME ORDER.
VERMILION

HE REACHED OUT TO ME.
TAKE MY HAND... CHAOS.
I WILL PREPARE YOU...MAKE YOU READY TO FACE YOUR DESTINY.
booom
drip
drip
drip
booom
SO...
...I MADE MY CHOICE.

...
WHY WERE YOU LOOKING AT ME?
I-I WAS JUST WORRIED!
WHY, WHAT DID I DO?
WELL, YOU WERE MUMBLING SOMETHING AND YOU BEGAN SWEATING TERRIBLY...


YOU IN THERE!! QUIET!
OOPS!
SAY! ARE YOU BLUSHING? TEEHEE! HOW CUTE!
...

GOOD-NIGHT, CHAOS ...
THE DREAM. IT'S ALWAYS THE SAME DREAM.

A SINGLE FRAGMENT OF MEMORY...

WHERE WAS THAT HORRIBLE PLACE...?
WHY WAS I THERE...? WHO WAS THAT GIRL...?
I REMEMBER THE FACES... BUT NOTHING BEYOND...
NEVER ANYTHING MORE.
...
YAWN
Whooo...

IT'S NEARLY AT THE WALL!
DO YOU THINK IT'LL DROP ON US?
WAIT, IT STOPPED.
WHAT IS IT? IT LOOKS--- EVIL.
I THINK--- I THINK WE BETTER REPORT IT TO THE GENERAL.

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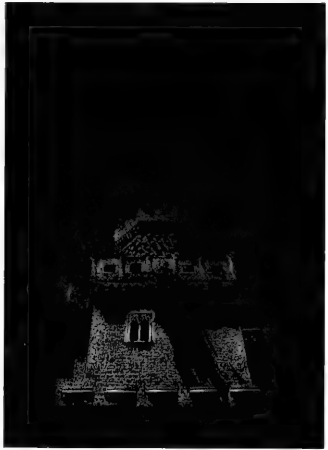
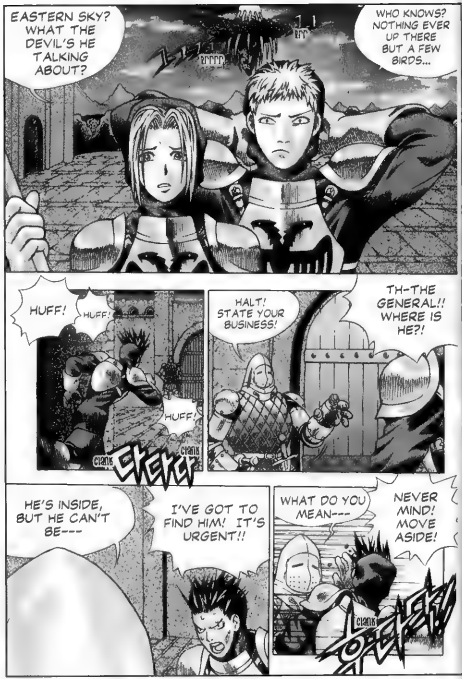
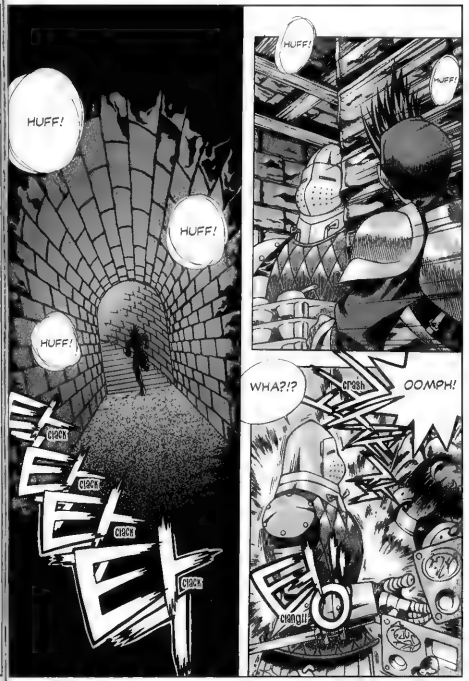
BOOK 3
IN TO THE ABYSS



THE GENERAL... I HAVE TO FIND THE GENERAL.
GRRR
WHERE COULD HE BE?
YOU TWO!
GRRR
WHERE'S GENERAL SPIEGEL?
WHAT'S THE PROBLEM? WHY'RE YOU RUNNING?
J-JUST TELL ME WHERE HE IS!
IT'S URGENT!
HUPP
HUPP
THE GENERAL? I THINK I SAW HIM GO TOWARD THE PRISON.

THE PRISON?
RIGHT. HE HAS SOME SPECIAL INTEREST IN THE NEW GROUP OF---
THANKS! THAT'S ALL I NEED TO KNOW!!
HUH? WAIT!
NO TIME!! THE GENERAL HAS TO KNOW!!
HUPP
HUPP
HEY!! ABOUT WHAT?
THE SKY!! LOOK TO THE EASTERN SKY!!


EASTERN SKY? WHAT THE DEVIL'S HE TALKING ABOUT?
WHO KNOWS? NOTHING EVER UP THERE BUT A FEW BIRDS...
HUFF!
HUFF!
HUFF!
CLANK
CLANK
HALT! STATE YOUR BUSINESS!
TH-THE GENERAL!! WHERE IS HE?!
HE'S INSIDE, BUT HE CAN'T BE---
I'VE GOT TO FIND HIM! IT'S URGENT!!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN---
NEVER MIND! MOVE ASIDE!
CLANG!


HUFF!
HUFF!
HUFF!
CLACK
CLACK
CLACK
CLACK
HUFF!
HUFF!
WHA?!
CRASH
OOMPH!
CLANG!

clatter
Y-YOU FOOL! WHY DON'T YOU W-WATCH WHERE YOU'RE GOING?!
skitter
DO FORGIVE ME.
I'M VERY SORRY.
I DON'T KNOW HOW IT COULD HAVE HAPPENED.
ACK.
GE...GENERAL SPIEGEL...?!

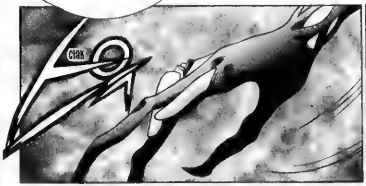
AMAZING. IT'S JUST LIKE YOU SAID.
THIS DOESN'T BODE WELL. I BETTER REPORT IT TO HIS MAJESTY.

WE FLOAT JUST BEYOND THE WALLS OF PRONTERA, MY MISTRESS.
THE DEFENDERS WATCH, BUT THEY DO NOT UNDERSTAND.
SHWOOO
THEY WILL UNDERSTAND...WHEN IT IS TOO LATE.
YOU HAVE BUT TO GIVE THE WORD, MISTRESS... AND THE CITY WILL DIE.

SO LONG A WAIT...AND AT LAST, IT ALL BEGINS.
THE CREATION OF THE PERFECT WORLD...
...THROUGH THE UTTER DESTRUCTION OF THE OLD.
HOW POETIC.

THE PURIFICATION OF MIDGARD...
...AND WE HAVE THE HONOR OF MAKING THE FIRST STRIKE.

YOU MAY ATTACK.


SPIN

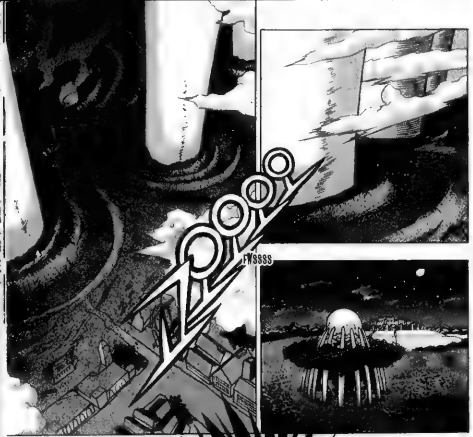
RURGH!

ALL HAIL FREYA!!
DG-PAW

WHP
WHP

SWOOSH
LOOK! SOMETHING'S HAPPENING TO IT!

WHAT'S THAT THING UP TO?
WHOOSH
GENERAL! IT'S --- IT'S FALLING!
WHAT?!
DAMN IT!! NO!! NOT THERE! IT CAN'T LAND THERE!
IT'LL HIT THE CITY DEAD ON!
DAMN!
WHOOSH
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM
ZZZSSSSSSS
ACK!!
?!!



RAGNAROK
PLUS
IN TO THE ABYSS

SWOOOSH
FWSSSSS
FWOOP
GE... GENERAL!! THE PILLARS! THEY--- THEY'RE---
MY GOD!

RAARGH!
SWOOSH
THOOM
THOOM
THOOM
IT'S HORRIBLE! MONSTROUS...

IT'S AS IF HEL'S COME TO MIDGARD!
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
CRUNCH
SCRUNCH
SCRUNCH
YAWN
WHAT'S ALL THAT RACKET?
YOU!! WHAT'S GOING ON DOWN THERE?
COUGH
COUGH
IT... IT'S...

NOOO....
WHAT'S THE MATTER? YOU'D THINK YOU JUST SAW A GHOST---
SPEAK UP! WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY? TELL ME!!
NO!
GASP
CRUNCH
CRUNCH
CRUNCH
CRUNCH

NO... NO...
GLUB GRRGGGH
H-HELP....
RRRRARRGH!
AAAAAAAAH...
CRACK
CHOMP
CHOMP
CHOMP

clang
clang
clang

EY!
!!
?!
LOOK...THE WALL...
BBBBRRRR
KIIIII
BBBOOM

I DON'T BELIEVE IT...
LOKI?!
BBBOOM!!!

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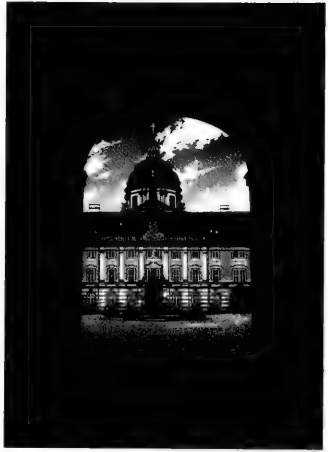
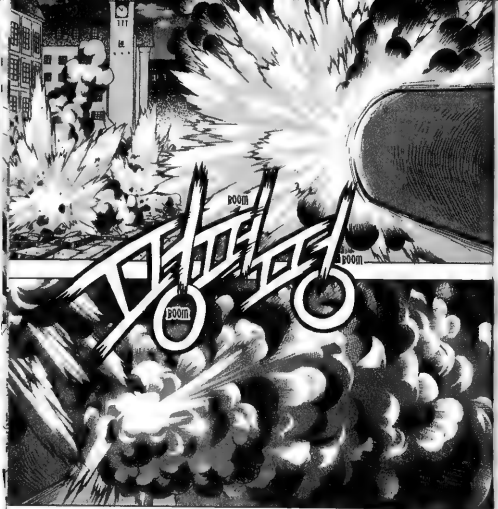
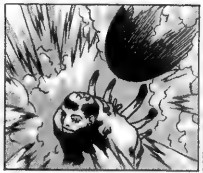


AAAAA
Whisssh
YOU? YOU WANT TO GO WITH US?
ETETO
ELMINA

.....
BECAUSE...
WHY?
ZOIC
...I SEE THE ANSWERS TO MY OWN QUESTIONS IN YOU.

BOOOM
TSSSSS
AAAAA
DON'T JUST STAND THERE! FIRE AGAIN! TURN THOSE GHOULS TO DUST!!
BOOM
SLAM
ACCK!
KEEP IT UP!! DON'T LEAVE ONE STANDING!
KBOOM!!


BOOM
BOOM
BOOM



HA! THAT DID IT! THEY DIDN'T EXPECT TO RUN INTO SUCH OPPOSITION!
KA RUMM

GENERAL GUSTAV! WE'RE OUT OF BOMBS AND GUNPOWDER!!
HERE, TOO, SIR!
CAN'T SEE ANY MOVE-MENT!
THE SMOKE'S TOO THICK!
DOES IT MATTER? EVEN THE UNDEAD CAN'T DO MUCH HARM WHEN THEY'RE BLOWN TO LITTLE PIECES...
TAKE IT EASY. OUR WORK'S DONE ---
CLANK
CLANK

WHAT?!?
SCRAPE
SCRAPE

MY GOD! IS THERE NO END TO THEM?

PREPARE TO CHARGE! WE'LL STOP 'EM HERE!
YES, SIR!
STAND TOGETHER! DON'T LET ONE OF THOSE STINKING CORPSES PASS!
KKKKKKKKKK
NOOOOOOSH
LISTEN. PRONTERA'S UNDER ATTACK. THERE ARE ZOMBIES AND GHOULS EVERYWHERE...
!!
BUT WHY?
ZOOOO
RRRRR

HMM...
WHAT'S ALL THAT NOISE?
부시시...
YAWN
WHAT?
YOU! WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE?!?
I WON'T LET YOU NEAR CHA---
OOMPH!
WILL YOU BE QUIET!!
MMMM...

COULD THAT BE WHAT THEY MEANT?
IS HE THE OTHER PIECE OF MY DESTINY?
ALL RIGHT...
CHAK!

YOU'RE WELCOME TO COME, BUT IT'LL BE TOUGH.

LOOK OUT!! EVERYONE STAND ASIDE!
FIRES OF LOG!!

ka poom!
WHAT IS SHE DOING?
WHAT WAS THAT??

I'VE SEEN THOSE IN THE PAST.

ALL THIS TIME...
...SOMONE'S BEEN WATCHING US.

UNDERSTAND THIS FROM THE START: OUR PATHS CROSS, BUT OUR GOALS ARE NOT THE SAME.
!!
WHIP!
WHIM!

TSK TSK TSK! OH, DEAR...THEY NOTICED YOUR LITTLE SPY!
HOW EMBARRASSING! A VALKYRIE OUTWITTED BY MERE MORTALS!
CHIK
BE QUIET.
ONE MORE WRONG WORD AND I MAY JUST DECIDE TO DESTROY THIS ENTIRE PLACE...AND YOU WITH IT.
USSSSS

RAGNAROK

IN TO THE ABYSS

OH, MY. HOW TERRIBLY FRIGHTENING. AND HERE, I WAS JUST MAKING AN OBSERVATION...
YOU REALLY ARE A VIOLENT LITTLE CHILD.
AND MUCH TOO SENSITIVE FOR YOUR OWN GOOD.
I'M IN NO MOOD FOR YOUR SORT OF JESTS, HIMMELMEZ, LIFE-EATER.

LET'S TALK ABOUT THE 'HEART OF YMIR.'
GONE MORE THAN 1000 YEARS, AFTER THE WAR AGAINST THE VANIR. ODIN HIMSELF CREATED MIDGARD WITH IT.
HE SPREAD ITS POWERFUL FRAGMENTS ALL OVER THE WORLD, STRUCTURING MIDGARD INTO WHAT IT IS TODAY.

THE FRAGMENTS MAINTAIN MIDGARD'S INTEGRITY AND FEED ITS GROWTH.
IT'S BECAUSE OF THEM THAT CIVILIZATION EVEN DEVELOPED ON THE MORTAL PLANE.
YES, I'M QUITE FAMILIAR WITH THE LEGEND...AS IS EVERYONE.
AND IT'S THE FRAGMENTS THAT ARE OUR TARGETS.
THE 'PURIFICATION' OF MIDGARD...
...FOR FREYA TO RECREATE THE WORLD IN HER IMAGE, SHE NEEDS VAST POWER.
COMBINED, THE PIECES OF THE HEART WILL GIVE HER THAT AND MORE.
ENOUGH TO ALTER REALITY ITSELF!
HA
WHICH BRINGS US TO WHERE THE GREATEST FRAGMENT IS BURIED.
HAH

BOOM
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM
THE VERY MIDST OF PRONTERA... UNDERNEATH THE ROYAL CASTLE ITSELF.

KAAAAAHK!!
AUUUGH!!

IT CAN'T BE! OUR OWN MEN! THEY'VE BECOME PART--- PART OF THAT---
WHAT DO WE DO, GENERAL?
HOW CAN WE STOP THEM WHEN EVEN OUR OWN DEAD BECOME PART OF THAT MONSTROUS ARMY?
COME NO FURTHER! DAMN IT! YOU'RE SOLDIERS OF VOLSUG! REMEMBER YOUR PLACES!

HAHAHA! HOW AMUSING...
THEY TAKE COMMANDS FROM ANOTHER NOW, HUMAN.
YOUR DEAD EXIST TO SERVE THE DARK VALKYRIE AND NONE OTHER.
CONSIDER IT HER GIFT...HER BLESSING.

A GIFT? THIS HORROR?
NEVER!
THERE'S ONLY TWO OF THEM! IF WE RUSH THEM, THEY'VE NOT A CHANCE!
CHARGE!
DIE!!
PITIFUL MORTALS...
SO FOOLISH...
...SO BLIND...
...YOU MUST BE MADE TO SEE.
COME, THEN...
clks
FWOOOSH
chhhg

...AND RECEIVE OUR MISTRESS'S BLESSING!!
LOOK OUT! THEY'RE---

YAAUGH!!

NOW, YOU WILL ALL RECEIVE OUR MISTRESS'S BLESSING...
...AND AFTER YOU, SO WILL ALL OF THE PEOPLE OF PRONTERA...

AND AFTER THEM, SO WILL ALL OF VOLSUG AS WELL!!

THEY SEE THE TRUTH NOW.
LSH
URGH!!
SO WILL OUR IMMORTAL ARMY REMAIN INVINCIBLE...AND EVER GROW.

WOOOM!!
RRARRGH?!

RAGNAROK

INTO THE ABYSS

WHAT DID YOU SAY?!
I SAID, WE'VE COME TO GIVE YOU OUR OWN BLESSING!
I KNOW BEING UNDEAD SLOWS THE BRAIN DOWN A LOT, BUT YOU STILL HAVE EARS DON'T YOU?
OH, I SEE YOU DON'T!
THUD
DRAIN
AHAHAHA!
IMPUDENT LITTLE HUMAN...
MY MISTRESS'S ARMY NEEDS EVER MORE SOLDIERS...
HMM?
...AND YOU SHALL MAKE A FINE ADDITION!!
THRUST

THE BOY! HE'S STRONG AND HIS COMPOSURE'S AS GOOD AS ANY SOLDIER'S! BUT STILL---

LISTEN, LAD! I THANK YOU FOR YOUR AID, BUT THOSE CREATURES ARE UNSTOPPABLE! THEY---
DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME.

GET THE TOWNSFOLK OUT OF HERE... TO SOMEPLACE SAFE.

IF YOU DON'T, IT'LL BE JUST LIKE THOSE MONSTERS SAID...

...YOU AND THE REST OF FRONTERA WILL BECOME PART OF THEIR HORRIFIC ARMY!!

A FATE ALREADY DECIDED, HUMAN!!
SLASH
SLICE

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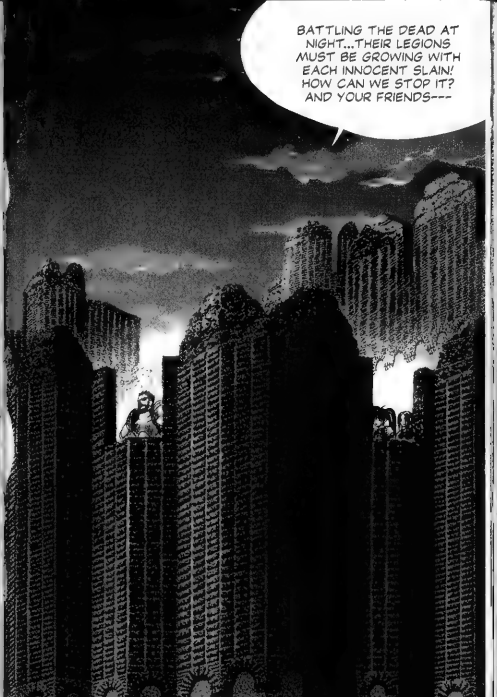
KA
THWA

.....
GIVE IN, HUMAN! EMBRACE THE INEVITABLE!
SPEAKING OF EMBRACING ...
...COUNT YOUR ARMS, LATELY?
NO! IMPOSSIBLE!
KA
CRACK

I WILL CUT YOU TO SHREDS FOR THAT, HUMAN!!
PRONTERA IS AFLAME.
OOOOO
ONLY IF YOU CAN KEEP ME AT ARM'S LENGTH, UGLY...


BATTLING THE DEAD AT NIGHT...THEIR LEGIONS MUST BE GROWING WITH EACH INNOCENT SLAIN! HOW CAN WE STOP IT? AND YOUR FRIENDS---

DON'T WORRY ABOUT THOSE TWO, GENERAL. THEY'RE BOTH SWIFT AND SKILLED. THEY'LL DO THEIR PART...
YOU NEED TO CONCERN YOURSELF WITH GETTING THE TOWNSFOLK TO SAFETY.
BOOM

GENERAL--- WHY DID YOU FINALLY DECIDE TO ACCEPT OUR HELP?

AND MORE TO THE POINT, WHY ASK THE TWO OF US TO REMAIN? SURELY, YOU MUST HAVE A REASON.
THWOOM
IT'S SIMPLE. FIRST, BECAUSE IN THE SQUARE, I SAW HOW YOU ALL TRIED TO HELP MY PEOPLE.
KO BOOM

SECOND, THE REASON I WANT YOU TWO WITH ME IS BECAUSE THERE'S SOMETHING I NEED HELP PROTECTING.
BRAM

ADJUTANT! WHEN THE OTHER TWO RETURN---
SIR, I'LL GUIDE THEM DIRECTLY TO YOU.

GOOD! NOW, IF YOU TWO WILL FOLLOW ME...
BOOM

...I THINK I KNOW WHAT THIS MONSTROUS ARMY WANTS...
THWOOM

SOMEHOW, THEY MUST KNOW PRONTERA'S SECRET.
...SECRET?!
CRSH
ZZZZ
CRSH
ZZZZ

RIGHT. ONLY THE KING AND A FEW SELECT SUBORDINATES KNOW ABOUT IT. AS THE COMMANDING GENERAL OF ALL VOLSUG, IT BECAME MY DUTY TO SEE THAT THE SECRET WAS ALWAYS PROTECTED.

HMPH! DUTY? OVER THE YEARS, IT'S BEEN MORE OF A CURSE...

A HUGE CAVERN! WHAT ARE THEY PROTECTING?

SHAE SOBE WRONG!

GENERAL SPIEGEL!

FOURTH DOOR STILL SEALED, SIR!

CRANK!

CRANK!

WELL DONE, MEN...NOW, OPEN IT.

YES, SIR!

SCREEEE

WHAT'S THE SECRET? WHAT'S IN THERE?

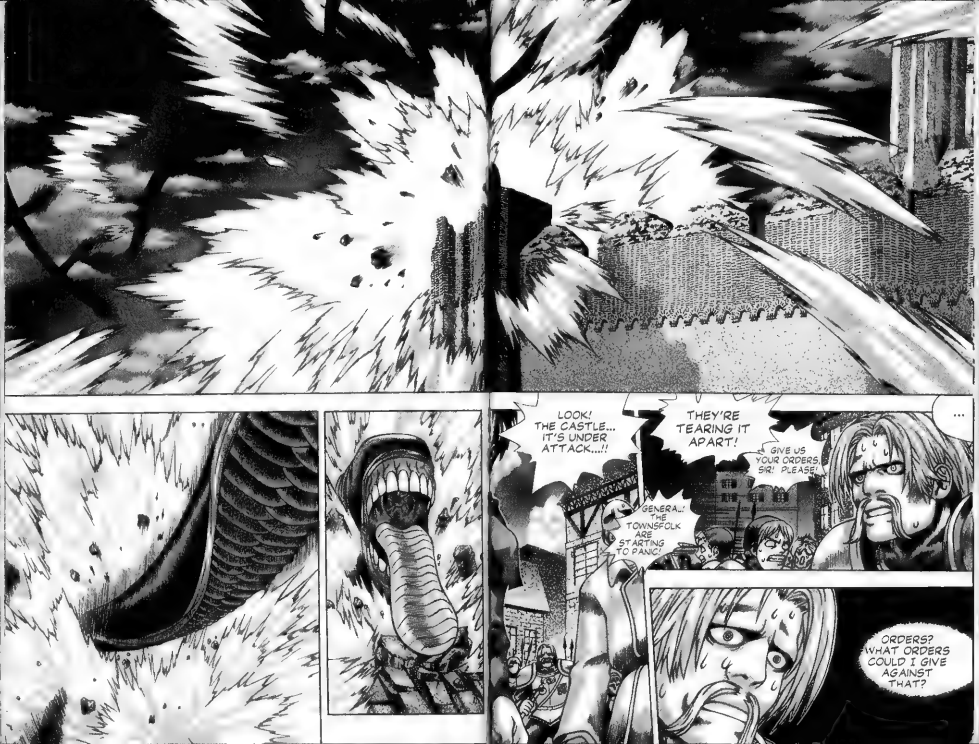
COULD IT BE...NO...

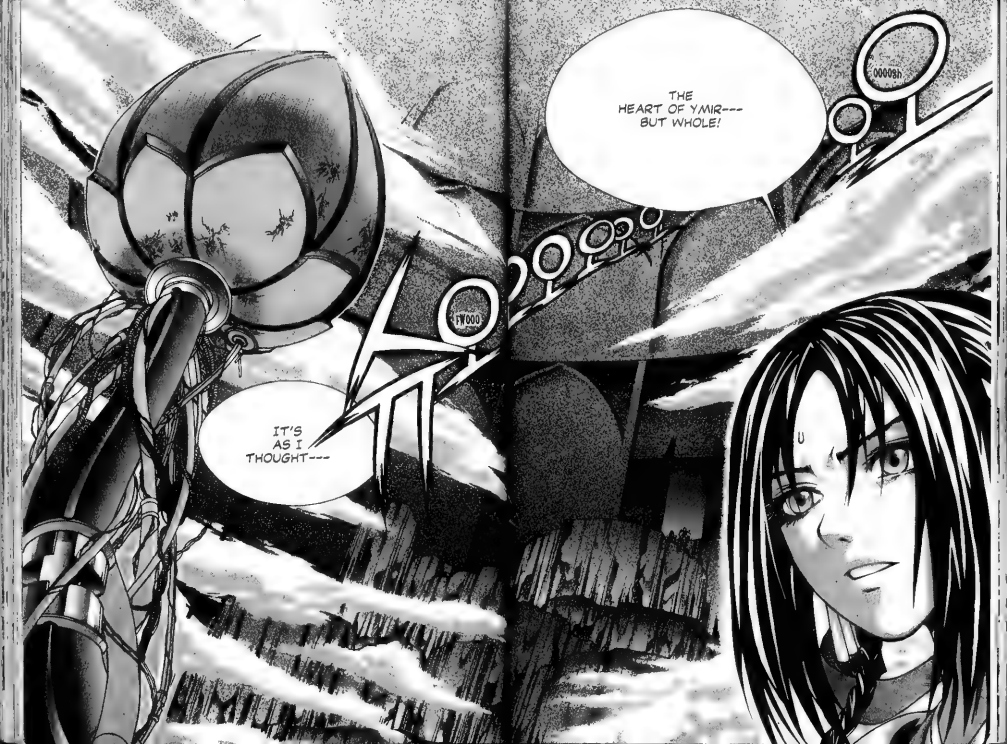
BEYOND THIS DOOR LIES LEGEND ITSELF... THE ESSENCE OF ALL OF WHICH WE DREAM, INCLUDING OUR WORST NIGHTMARES, I MIGHT ADD. COME AND SEE.

SCREEEE

RAGNAROK
IN TO THE ABYSS

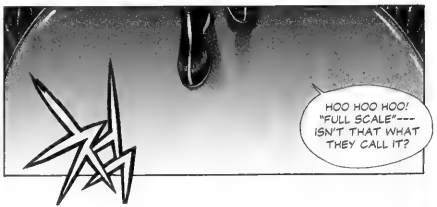
IF YOU ARE QUITE DONE...
...MAY WE MOVE ON TO THE ISSUE AT HAND?
THAT ALL DEPENDS ON YOU.
FWOOOSH
THPOSH
THWOOM!
YAAUGH!


LOOK! THE CASTLE... IT'S UNDER ATTACK...!!!
THEY'RE TEARING IT APART!
GIVE US YOUR ORDERS, SIR! PLEASE!
...
GENERAL... THE TOWNSFOLK ARE STARTING TO PANIC!
ORDERS? WHAT ORDERS COULD I GIVE AGAINST THAT?


THE HEART OF YMIR--- BUT WHOLE!
IT'S AS I THOUGHT---

UNGH...!!
WHAT'S HAPPENING? SOMETHING'S DIFFERENT!
IT'S ALMOST LIKE A QUAKE! THEY MUST BE ATTACKING THE CASTLE ITSELF!

SO, IT'S BEGUN! THEY'RE TRYING TO PENETRATE THE WALLS IN ORDER TO REACH THIS CAVERN!


HOO HOO HOO! "FULL SCALE"--- ISN'T THAT WHAT THEY CALL IT?

OVER THERE!

THE ATTACK ON PRONTERA WAS IN PART A DIVERSION.
WHILE YOU POOR THINGS RAN AROUND UP THERE, USELESSLY FIGHTING...
...WE SIMPLY DUG THROUGH THE EARTH TO REACH THE HEART.

NOW IT BELONGS TO MY WONDROUS MISTRESS, HIMMELMEZ...
...AS DO ALL OF YOUR LIVES, MY DARLINGS.
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM

YOU DAMNED SCARECROW! HOW DARE YOU?! YOU'LL BE TAKING THE HEART NOWHERE!
IN THE NAME OF THE KING, I, GENERAL KARL JOHANN SPIEGEL, DEMAND YOU STEP FORWARD AND MEET ME---
IF IT'S A FIGHT YOU WANT, MY DARLING, I'VE JUST THE PERFECT PLAYMATE FOR YOU.
WHAT?!
IN FACT, HE'S RIGHT BEHIND YOU.
EH...?!

A TROLL...!!
AAUGH!!
GRACK!!!
POOR DARLING! IS GEIRROD PLAYING TOO HARD WITH YOU? HE HAS A HABIT OF BREAKING HIS TOYS QUICKLY! HEHEEHEE!
GRRR...
GENERAL!
AAAA AAHK!!
GRINDSH!!
ARRRRRR!
RRAARRRR!!
KRAK!!
POWERS OF THE RUNES, I CALL UPON YOU!
HO!
THUNDER!

RAGNAROK
IN TO THE ABYSS

OH, DEAR ME! IN ALL THIS FUN, I NEVER INTRODUCED MYSELF, DID I? YOU MAY CALL ME BIJOU...FOR THE FEW SECONDS YOU HAVE LEFT!
I'D LIKE TO CALL YOU SOMETHING A LOT WORSE!
JUST EXACTLY WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO DO WITH THE HEART AND THE POWER IT CONTAINS?
.....
SINCE YOU'RE GOING TO DIE IN A MOMENT ANYWAY, I DON'T SEE A REASON NOT TO TELL YOU!
BOOM

USED WRONG, THE HEART COULD DESTROY EVERYTHING!
PSST... FENRIS!
IRIS? WHAT IS IT?
IF I DON'T, THEN A WORSE FATE THAN DEATH AWAITS HIM!
.....!
YOU'VE GOT TO STALL HER! I THINK THE GENERAL'S ALIVE!
SO WHAT DOES THAT---
I'VE GOT A CHANCE TO HEAL HIM... BUT JUST BARELY!
I CAN'T SENSE ANY SORT OF LIFE FORCE IN THESE CREATURES! THEY'RE ABOMINATIONS! UNDEAD!

IF GENERAL SPIEGEL DIES...
...HE WILL BECOME JUST LIKE ONE OF THEM.
NOT ONLY THAT...HE'LL WANT TO KILL US, TOO!

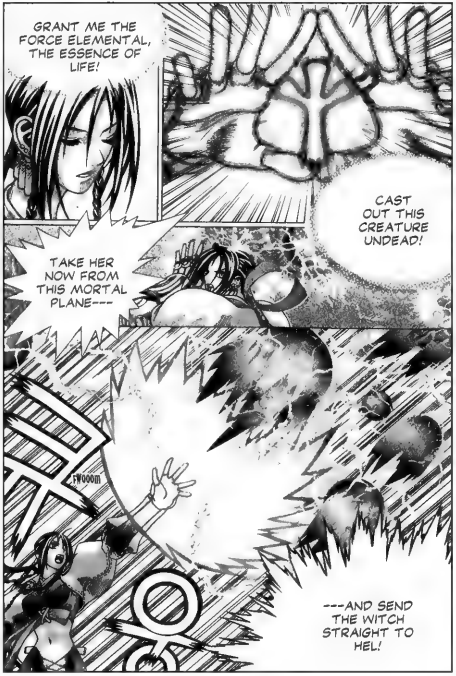
BUT WE NEED TO GET PAST THAT WITCH FIRST!
IF WE WORK TOGETHER, WE'VE GOT A CHANCE, FENRIS.

WELL?
WHAT DO YOU SAY?
FRASH
WE DO IT, OF COURSE! I'VE JUST THE SPELL FOR HER...
LET'S GET HER THEN!!

TSK, TSK...POOR LITTLE DARLINGS!
TO ONE SUCH AS ME, YOU'RE NOTHING BUT INSECTS!
AND INSECTS CAN BE TREATED ONLY ONE WAY.
STEP ON THEM, GEIRROD. CRUSH THEM TO A PULP!
RRAUGH!

SWOOSH
POWERS OF THE RUNES, I SUMMON YOU!
SEND FORTH YOUR PERFECT LIGHT...
ThWOOSH

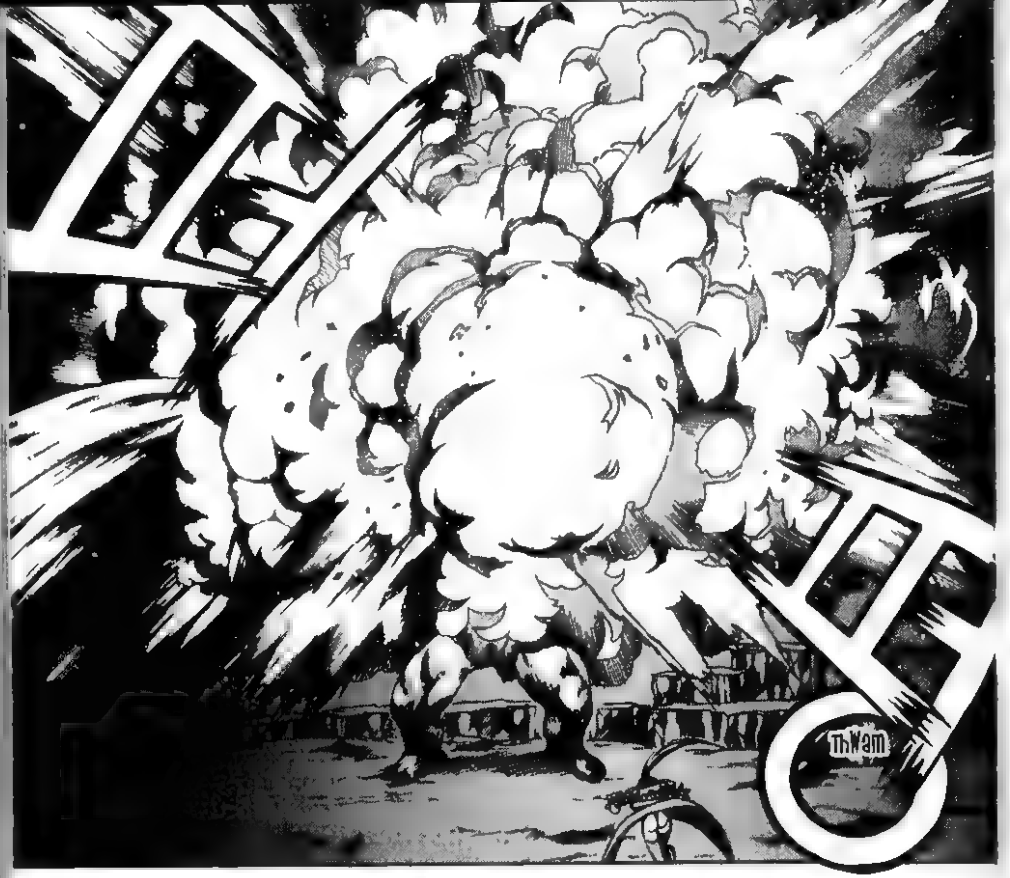
...TO BURN AWAY THE DARKNESS OF EVIL!!
SPIRITS OF THE HEAVENS, SPIRITS OF THE EARTH...
WHAT'S THIS...?
...MY BODY IS YOUR VESSEL. MY HAND, YOURS TO COMMAND!


GRANT ME THE FORCE ELEMENTAL, THE ESSENCE OF LIFE!
CAST OUT THIS CREATURE UNDEAD!
TAKE HER NOW FROM THIS MORTAL PLANE---
FWOOSH
---AND SEND THE WITCH STRAIGHT TO HEL!

FWOOSH
WOOSH
WOOSH
WOOSH
FIREBALLS OF ALMOST PURE ELEMENTAL FORCE! LET'S SEE HOW YOU FARE AGAINST THEM, SCARECROW!
WOOSH
OH... VERY WELL.

AWAY!
POOOOM
NO!

FIIK
FIIK
FIIK
THIS IS MY ONE CHANCE!
BY THE POWER OF THE RUNES--- EXPLODE!
RAUGH?!?



Special Collection

RAGNAROK

These strips were made on May 1, 1999, back when I was working on the events of *Ragnarok* volume 4. Written under the "Nights" pen name, the events of the comic world were recorded in a magazine called "Lolita Cookie". Only 300 copies were published, so I have included them here so that everyone else can read them.

Behold the Mandrake!

UNDERSTAND? WE'LL HAVE TO GET A PART TIME JOB TO SAVE ENOUGH MONEY FOR OUR QUEST.
THE "MANDRAKE", THE MYSTERY MEDICINAL HERB. WE'RE GOING TO GATHER IT, OKAY?
WHAT ARE THE EAR PLUGS FOR?
?
OH, WHEN YOU PULL OUT THE MANDRAKE, THEY LET OUT A HIDEOUS SCREAM. IT'S SO THAT YOU WON'T DIE WHEN YOU HEAR THEM. OKAY, I'M GONNA START PULLING.
KIYAAAAA
KOH

Skurai's Just Desserts

HEY, LOOK HERE. DON'T YOU THINK YOU SHOULD PAY FOR THE FOOD YOU'VE EATEN?
Fresh meat
HA! I DON'T THINK YOU REALIZE WHO I AM. I'M THE CURSED PROSECUTOR, SKURAI...AND YOU ARE?
AH, AGOTORAS MANGUS.
DID YOU HEAR THAT TALATSU? WE'VE GOT ANOTHER PITIFUL FOOL HERE TO FILL YOUR FAMISHED STOMACH.
NAME IS AGOTORAS MANGUS.
DID YOU HEAR THAT? HIS NAME IS SKURAI. THE EBB AND FLOW OF FRESH MEAT.
300-year old tradition -- Agotoras Mangus Dumplings
Fresh meat

Loki's Vision

I JUST SAW A HORRIBLE VISION!! THE GUILD WAS BEING ATTACKED...OUR ASSASSIN GUILD IS IN DANGER!
HUH? IMPOSSIBLE. WHO WOULD DARE ATTACK OUR GUILD!!
THAT'S ENOUGH, TAU LIN! LOKI'S ABILITY TO SEE VISIONS HAS OPENED MANY ROADS FOR US IN THE PAST. THAT IS BECAUSE HIS VISION HAS NEVER BEEN WRONG. OR ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY YOU DON'T BELIEVE LOKI?
LET'S HURRY!! THERE'S NO TIME TO WASTE!!
DASH
WAIT, LITTLE BUTTERFLY!
Nothing was wrong. Just a peaceful day at the Guild.

Loki's Vision: Take Two

I JUST HAD A HORRIBLE VISION!! THE GUILD WAS BEING ATTACKED...OUR ASSASSIN GUILD IS IN DANGER!
IMPOSSIBLE...A NORMAL PERSON WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PENETRATE OUR SAND STORM...BLAH BLAH BLAH...!!
THAT'S ENOUGH, TAU LIN! LOKI'S ABILITY TO SEE VISIONS HAS... BLAH BLAH BLAH...THAT IS BECAUSE... BLAH BLAH BLAH... OR ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY YOU DON'T BELIEVE LOKI?!
Mustafa, age 41. His short-lived life ends in the desert.

My Type of Man

HOO HOO! BEFORE YOU DIE, KNOW THIS--- THE NAME OF THE MAN OUTSIDE IS CHAOS.
CH...CHAOS?!
WHAT A CUTE NAME.
SOMEHOW I FEEL AS IF HE WOULD BY MY TYPE OF GUY.

Famous Last Words

TOKYOPOP

The fellowship has been broken. Fenris and Iris are trapped beneath Prontera where they fight to protect the shard of Ymir's heart from the witch Bijou. Back on the surface, Chaos and Loki team up to defend what is left of Prontera from Himmelmez and her undead army.

Both sides will see blood spilled and the prodigal daughter will return in Ragnarok Volume 6: Midnight Mass, available March 2003.

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TWILIGHT OF TERROR

Legend tells us that the realm of Midgard was created from the heart of Ymir the Giant, which was scattered across the land. Now, 1,000 years after Ragnarok, Ymir's heart has been all but forgotten...or has it? Freya, goddess of death and beauty, now seeks to control the world. If she were to collect the shards of heart, her power would allow her to rule the next millennium.

Prontera, capital city of the Volsug province, houses one of the shards. Freya has sent Himmelmez, the Necromancer, to lead the undead legions of Nilfheim against the Golden City. As Prontera's forces die in battle, the numbers of the undead army grow. Soon, all hope will be consumed by the stench of death.

As the Fates would have it, a new hope just arrived in the form of a misfit band of heroes. Chaos has come to Prontera in search of his destiny. Loki, the assassin, has come to kill Chaos. In the face of unstoppable evil, these two enemies must put aside their differences and unite against the darkness.

"What a splendid and unique mix of anime and Norse legend. This series is a winner, and the wonderful thing is, there's more to come."

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